record of the particular record disclosed, the name and address of the person or agency to whom or to which disclosed, and the date, nature and purpose of the disclosure.

- (b) No accounting is required for disclosures of records to those officials and employees of the Commission who have a need for the record in the performance of their duties, or if disclosure would be required under the Freedom of Information Act. 5 U.S.C. 552.
- (c) The accounting shall be maintained for 5 years or until the record is destroyed or transferred to the National Archives and Record Service for storage, in which event, the accounting pertaining to those records, unless maintained separately, shall be transferred with the records themselves.
- (d) The accounting of disclosures may be recorded in any system the Commission determines is sufficient for this purpose, however, the Commission must be able to construct from its system a listing of all disclosures. The system of accounting of disclosures is not a system of records under the definition in §705.2(e) and no accounting need be maintained for disclosure of the accounting of disclosures.
- (e) Upon request of an individual to whom a record pertains, the accounting of the disclosures of that record shall be made available to the requester, provided that he/she has complied with §705.3(a) and with §705.4(c) or (d).

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#### **Subpart A—General Provisions**

#### § 706.1 Adoption of regulations.

Pursuant to 5 CFR 735.104(f) and 735.502, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (hereinafter referred to as the Commission) hereby adopts, with appropriate modifications, relevant sections of Part 735 of Title 5 of the Code of Federal Regulations as renumbered and set forth below.

### § 706.2 Purpose.

The maintenance of unusually high standards of honesty, integrity, impartiality, and conduct by Government employees and special Government employees is essential to assure the proper performance of the Government's business and the maintenance of confidence by citizens in their Government. The avoidance of misconduct and conflicts of interest on the part of Government employees and special Government employees through informed judgment is indispensable to the maintenance of these standards. To accord

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with these concepts, this part sets forth the United States Commission on Civil Rights' regulations covering the agency's employees and special Government employees, prescribing standards of conduct and responsibilities, and governing statements reporting employment and financial interests.

#### § 706.3 Definitions.

In this part:

Commission means the United States Commission on Civil Rights, an Executive agency as defined by Section 105 of Title 5, United States Code.

*Employee* means an officer or employee of the Commission including a special Government employee, as defined in 18 U.S.C. 202.

Executive order means Executive Order 11222 of May 8, 1965.

Person means an individual, a corporation, a company, an association, a firm, a partnership, a society, a joint stock company, or any other organization or institution.

#### § 706.4 Distribution.

- (a) Within 90 days after publication of these regulations in the FEDERAL REGISTER the Commission shall furnish each employee with a copy of the regulations.
- (b) The Commission shall furnish all new employees with a copy of the regulations at the time of their entrance on duty.
- (c) The Commission shall bring the regulations to the attention of each employee annually, and at such other times as circumstances warrant.
- (d) The Commission shall have available for review by employees copies of relevant laws, the Executive order, and pertinent Commission instructions relating to ethical and other standards of conduct.

### $\S 706.5$ Counseling.

The Solicitor of the Commission shall serve as the agency's ethical conduct counselor and is the designated agency official for the purposes of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, Pub. L. 95–521. The Solicitor shall respond to requests by employees and special Government employees for advice and guidance respecting questions of ethical conduct, conflicts of interest, re-

porting of financial interests and other matters of law covered by these regulations.

### § 706.6 Disciplinary and other remedial action.

An employee of the Commission who violates any of the regulations in this part may be disciplined. The disciplinary action may be in addition to any penalty prescribed by law for the violation. In addition to or in lieu of disciplinary action, remedial action to end conflicts or appearance of conflicts of interests may include but is not limited to:

- (a) Changes in assigned duties;
- (b) Divestment by an employee of any conflicting interest; or
- (c) Disqualification for a particular assignment.

## § 706.7 Outside employment and other activity.

Employees of the Commission may engage in outside employment or other outside activity not incompatible with the full and proper discharge of the duties and responsibilities of their Government employment. Employees who wish to engage in outside employment shall first obtain the approval, in writing, of their supervisor.

### § 706.8 Prohibition against disclosure of evidence.

All employees of the Commission are subject to the prohibition on disclosure of evidence taken in executive session contained in Section 102(g) of the Civil Rights Act of 1957, 71 Stat. 634, as amended

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#### § 706.9 Proscribed actions.

An employee shall avoid any action, whether or not specifically prohibited by this subpart, which might result in, or create the appearance of:

- (a) Using public office for private gain;
- (b) Giving preferential treatment to any person:
- (c) Impeding Commission efficiency or economy;